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## The Last Council Fire

With joy and grief  
we, the 4-H dele-  
on the green last  
time. The last camp fire was in  
who were represented by a boy  
ern States, Central States, West-  
The way we club  
best be shown by quoting a few of  
last night.

"I will tell the  
spirit of this camp; everybody took  
he was told."

"I have learned that  
boys and girls equal to the boys

"I hope to show my  
camp by teaching them what I have

"This has been one  
my life, and I am so full of club  
home and put club work over the

"Two things were  
the other, the fun we have had

Homer Sheffield  
presided, and  
neither will  
we forget  
the  
Southern  
Warblers  
nor the  
Massachu-  
setts  
poultry  
judging.



in our hearts  
gates, assembled  
night for the last  
the hands of the club members,  
and girl from the South-  
ern States, and Eastern States.  
members feel about the camp can  
the words of appreciation spoken

boys and girls back home of the  
part and went where and did what

every State in the Union has  
and girls in my native State." (Ill.)  
comrades how I appreciate this  
learned here."

of the most wonderful weeks of  
spirit that I feel I can go back  
top." (Ark.)

gained; one the educational part,  
here." (Mass.)

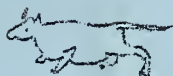
"I have learned that every  
member of the Department of  
Agriculture is back of club work.  
The banquet proved this." (Mich.)

"The most impressive thing  
to me is the realization that we  
have been together as a Nation  
and not as a State."

"We will have a stronger  
delegation next year to prove this  
year's appreciation." (Iowa)

*Togo Stewardant*  
Okla.





## REGULAR EXERCISE AND BALANCED RATIONS FOR THE COWS AT BELTSVILLE



We believe every national camp representative followed the road to Beltsville, where we got a glimpse of the research work being carried on by the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.



The guides were wonderful, and we liked the Beltsville folks. Who would believe that our wool dress material was once the dirty-looking hair we saw? When we saw the hundreds of rats the girls almost screamed.



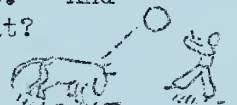
One of those beef cattle we saw weighed 1,634 pounds. We saw many different kinds of stock and enjoyed our beautiful surroundings at the same time, especially the rose arbors on every side.



And last but not least, after our hot, thirsty trip, we had all the milk we could drink, and four tubs full of fried chicken, ice cream, bananas, pickles, and rolls in regular picnic style. We are all agreed that we had a wonderful time. And say! How about visiting Beltsville again? What?



*Vivian Shepard, Fla.*



### BOUQUETS

"The best-organized and behaved crowd we ever took."

*The Bus Company.*

The Navy authorities were not sure they wanted campers to eat on the upper deck but were very much pleased with the shipshape way they left without strenuous urging.

The Corcoran Art Gallery hesitated to turn 300 young Americans loose among the art treasures, but afterwards expressed appreciation of their ladylike and gentlemanly behavior.

Camp directors also want to express their appreciation for the neat appearance of the camp at all times.



### FROM THE RED CROSS TENTS

The doctor and nurse report 225 cases treated, with a large proportion of blistered heels.

Chapped lips have also been a popular complaint of both boys and girls. I wonder why.

Nurse Sandmaier's tent has been one of the most useful places at camp. If a stitch was essential in your other uniform, one always asked the nurse, or if your Sunday dress needed a press the nurse's tent was the place for you.

The nurse says she certainly hates to leave camp and wishes all her good camp friends good luck and happiness.





## ON TOUR

The first tour yesterday took us to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. This was a place of great interest to most of us, as we saw how paper money is actually made. This bureau has 5,000 employees and in 1919 put out the largest amount of money ever made: \$48,000,000.

On our second tour we visited the Freer Art Gallery where we saw many of James McNeill Whistler's paintings, etchings, and sketches. We also saw some Chinese and Japanese work.

From here we went to the National Museum, going first to the aircraft collection. Here we saw the first coast-to-coast machine, also the first aircraft to cross the Atlantic. In the arts and industries building we saw the dresses worn by the wives of the various Presidents, also all kinds of silks and laces. Here also was displayed the first flag to be called "Old Glory" and the flag which inspired Francis Scott Key to write "The Star Spangled Banner," our national anthem. In the building we saw the first horseless carriage, the first telegraph, typewriter, and phonograph.

Reported by *Helen C. Wait, Ill.*

DELEGATIONS SHOT AT NOON - Champion schedule buster loose in camp - no schedule has been found proof against him. Doctor Kempf and Nurse Sandmaier unable to administer relief. Sleuths on trail of the shooter believe he answers the description of one G.W. Ackerman, U.S. camera man.



One of the "pioneers" at camp is Mrs. Edna Trigg, of Texas, who began being a home demonstration agent in sunny Texas back in the days when 4-H clubs were called "tomato clubs" and home demonstration agents were "colaborators."

Apologies to Charles Measor, of North Dakota, who upheld the honor of North Dakota and 4-H traditions in one of the addresses at the Mayflower banquet. Ye reporter is not to blame; it was the fault of the office cat, Felix, who is a relative of that famous feline who was reputed to have eaten all lost copy in the office of Dana's New York Sun.







LEADERS' CONFERENCE Miss Stephenson of Indiana read the report of the committee on committees. It expressed appreciation to members of the Department of Agriculture for planning and making so successful the camp, program, conferences, trips, banquet, and other activities. It was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ingalls of Vermont offered a supplement to the report, expressing regret that a few States were not represented at the camp and suggesting that we extend to those States an invitation to send representatives to the camp in the future. This was adopted.

The conference was then given over to Mr. Martin of the Recreation Association of America who discussed recreation particularly adapted to rural communities, and then led the members of the conference in a series of games.



Introducing "Bill" Howe, who is launching out into a new career, after successfully following several perfectly good vocations, including that of joint manager of gangs 9 and 10. He is now collecting stray hand bags and expects to develop a profitable business just

as soon as he can train people to appreciate the service. He will probably start training in Florida.

Does any other club camp have hot-water heat? It rained warm water on our tents two nights ago and the camp has been warm ever since.



Mr. Erickson of Minnesota has not yet announced his decision as to which leader can hit the hardest in the game of "hot hand."

We had our last bird tour this morning with Dr. Oberholser, through Arlington Marsh. During the series of bird tours 47 different species of birds were located either by sight or song. Five different ones were found this morning: The common crow, Acadian flycatcher, kingfisher, goldfinch, and wild duck.

Reported by

*Isabelle Nye, Ohio.*

Camp Poet Cate of Tennessee consented to sing a lay entitled "The Fate of Nine Little 4-H Club Members," and we yearn for space to give it in full but can not. Perhaps he would send you a copy.

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WANTED: More information on the Woman Haters, by one of our lady reporters.

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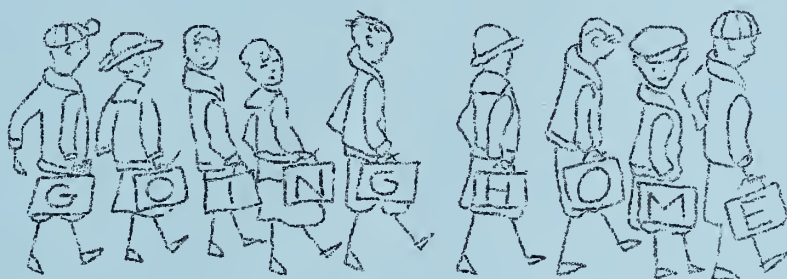
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The publications relating to club work will probably mean more to all of us of the 4-H clubs since we have seen our "Uncle Sam's" Printing Office, where all of them come from. Every one of us was impressed with the size of the plant and would have been glad to have spent a longer time in many of the departments.

Our next stop was at the Navy Yard. The most impressive thing told us here, was that the model of the battleship Oklahoma cost between ten and eleven thousand dollars.

Coming to the Botanical Gardens we found the shade of the beautiful trees most inviting. Although we made a quick trip through the greenhouses, we saw many rare and beautiful plants. *A. Lynda Davenport, Tenn.*



#### COME AGAIN

It is with genuine regret that we say farewell to-day to the members of the first national farm boys' and girls' 4-H camp. Within the short space of a week we have gained both a deeper appreciation of the value of club work and a personal interest in each of you, as well. We are especially proud of the reputation you have made for yourselves in Washington through your conduct as good citizens and true gentlemen and gentlewomen. We hope that you, as well as we, have received fresh inspiration from this week together for our joint work in making that best of professions, farming, better.

Good-by and good luck,

*Perine M. Hunsley*  
Acting Secretary.



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